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COMING TO
DINNER...

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PREVIOUSLY...

A PRINCESS IN PERIL!

No sooner did our heroes set sail, did they find trouble – trouble in the form of an enemy pirate ship made of metal!

Sensing the power of the Sol Emerald aboard the sinister vessel, Blaze took it upon herself to board the ship and fulfill her quest.



Little did the fiery Princess know that the last Sol Emerald was in the hands of the merciless pirate known as Captain Metal! The metallic marauders unleashed a laser canon on our hero's ship, the Ocean Tornado, leaving nothing but scraps floating in the sea!

With the final Sol Emerald out of reach and her friends destroyed, Blaze the Cat is now at the mercy of the evil Captain Metal...



WHO'S WHO



BLAZE THE CAT
GUARDIAN OF THE
SOL EMERALDS



AMY ROSE
HAMMER-SWINGING
HEROINE



CREAM THE RABBIT
WITH CHEESE
THE CHAO



MARINE THE RACCOON
CAPTAIN OF THE
OCEAN TORNADO

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I AM **BLAZE THE CAT**; PRINCESS AND GUARDIAN OF THE SOL EMERALDS, THE GEMS THAT KEEP THIS WORLD FROM FALLING INTO DESTRUCTION.

AFTER MONTHS OF SEARCHING, I HAD NEARLY TRACKED THEM ALL DOWN. MY FRIENDS HAD BEEN CALLED HERE FROM THEIR WORLD TO HELP ME FIND THE LAST EMERALD. BUT I WAS TOO LATE, AND NOW IT'S IN THE HANDS OF THE MONSTER THAT LEADS ME INTO CAPTIVITY: **CAPTAIN METAL**.

THE VILE PIRATE SANK OUR SHIP AND MY FRIENDS WITH IT. ONCE I FIND OUT WHAT EVIL HE HAS PLANNED, I WILL TRY TO ATONE FOR MY FAILURE BY BRINGING HIM TO A **MEMORABLE** END.

BLAZE
FELINE
FIRE-
STARTER

CAPTAIN METAL
MECHANICAL
MARAUDER

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BEING CARELESS
AND LOSING MY
TEMPER HAS PUT
ME IN THIS MESS.



I MUST BE PATIENT.
WAIT FOR THE RIGHT
TIME. AND THEN...

FIRE,
CAT!

POOF



BEAN and BARK
MERCENARIES FROM
ANOTHER WORLD

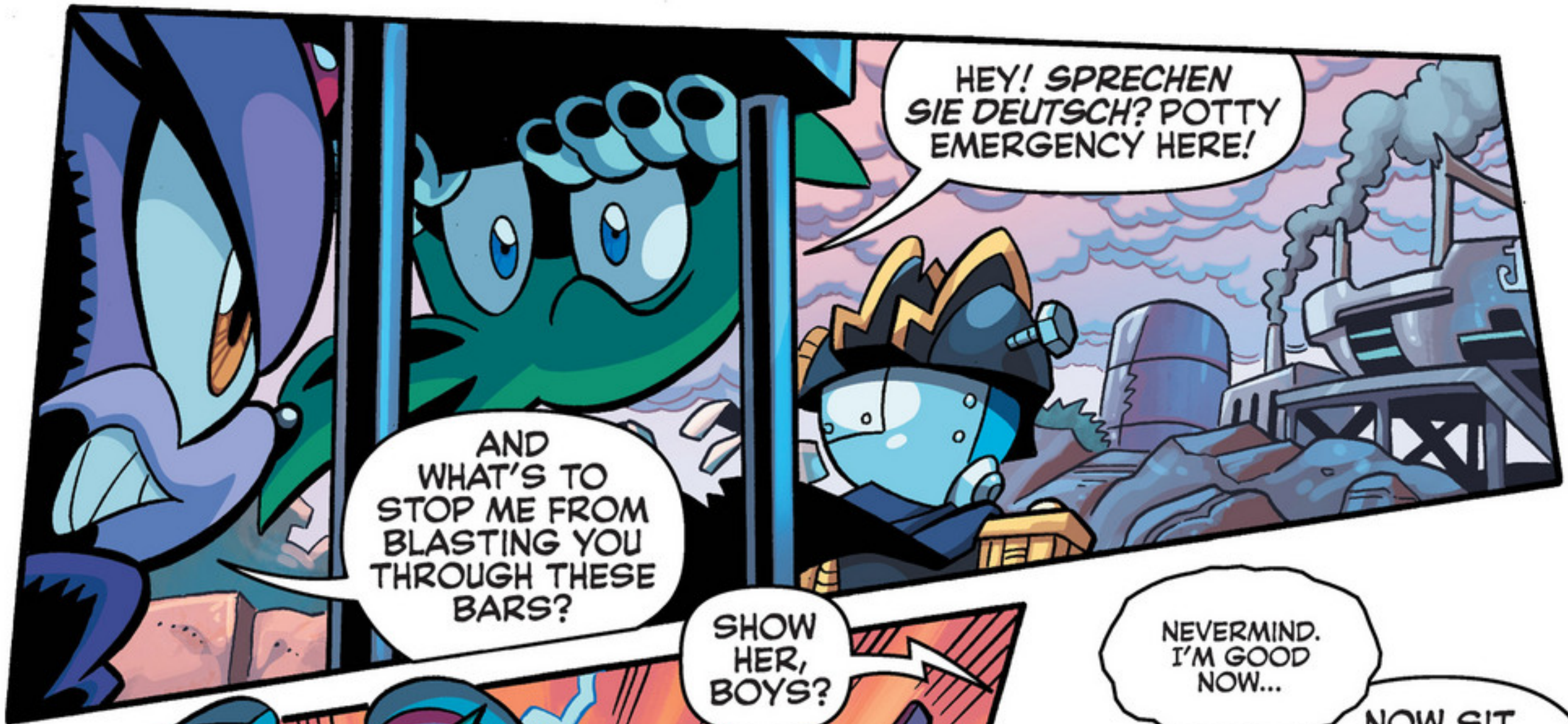
AWWW, C'MON!
BARK LIKES 'EM
BURNT!

GO ON,
YA PEST!
SHOO!

HARRR,
PRINCESS. NO
DOUBT YE'LL BE
WANTIN' TO AVENGE
YERSELF UPON ME
FER MAKIN' FISH
FOOD OF YER
FRIENDS.

TRY AS YE MIGHT,
YE'LL NOT MELT THROUGH
THIS CAGE ANY TOO QUICK.
IT BE MADE OF TUNGSTEN
CARBIDE. METALLURGY BE
A LITTLE HOBBY OF
MINE.

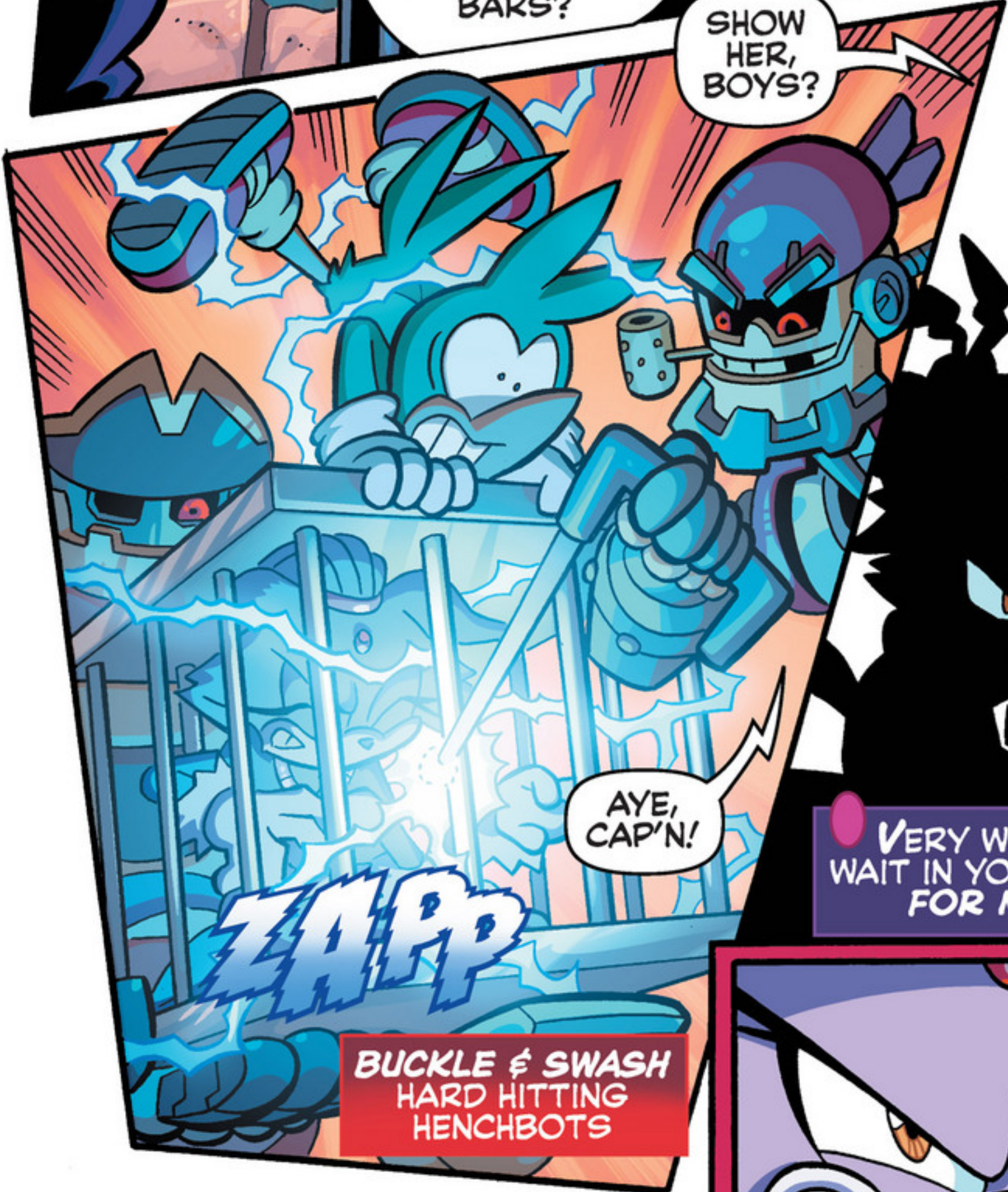
Y'KNOW, I'M
FEELING A BIT
"URGY", MYSELF!
DONDE ES
EL BAÑO?



HEY! SPRECHEN SIE DEUTSCH? POTTY EMERGENCY HERE!

AND WHAT'S TO STOP ME FROM BLASTING YOU THROUGH THESE BARS?

SHOW HER, BOYS?



AYE, CAP'N!

ZAPP

**BUCKLE & SWASH
HARD HITTING
HENCHBOTS**

NEVERMIND. I'M GOOD NOW...

NOW SIT TIGHT. YE'LL SOON SEE THE GRAND PLANS I HAVE FER YE AND YER PRECIOUS SOL EMERALD.



VERY WELL, I'LL WAIT IN YOUR CAGE... FOR NOW...

CARRY ON, MATES!



...BUT MY FRIENDS...



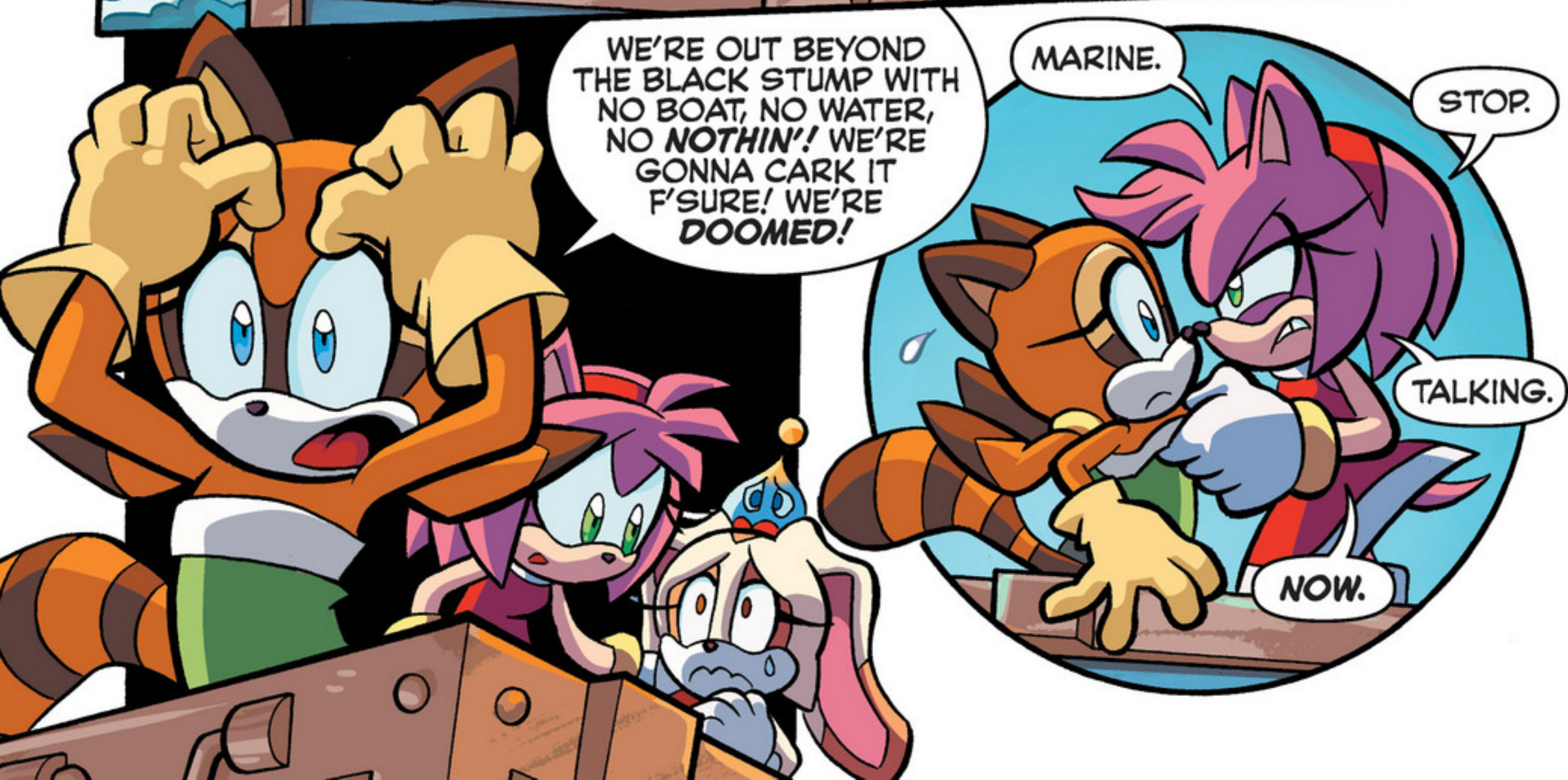
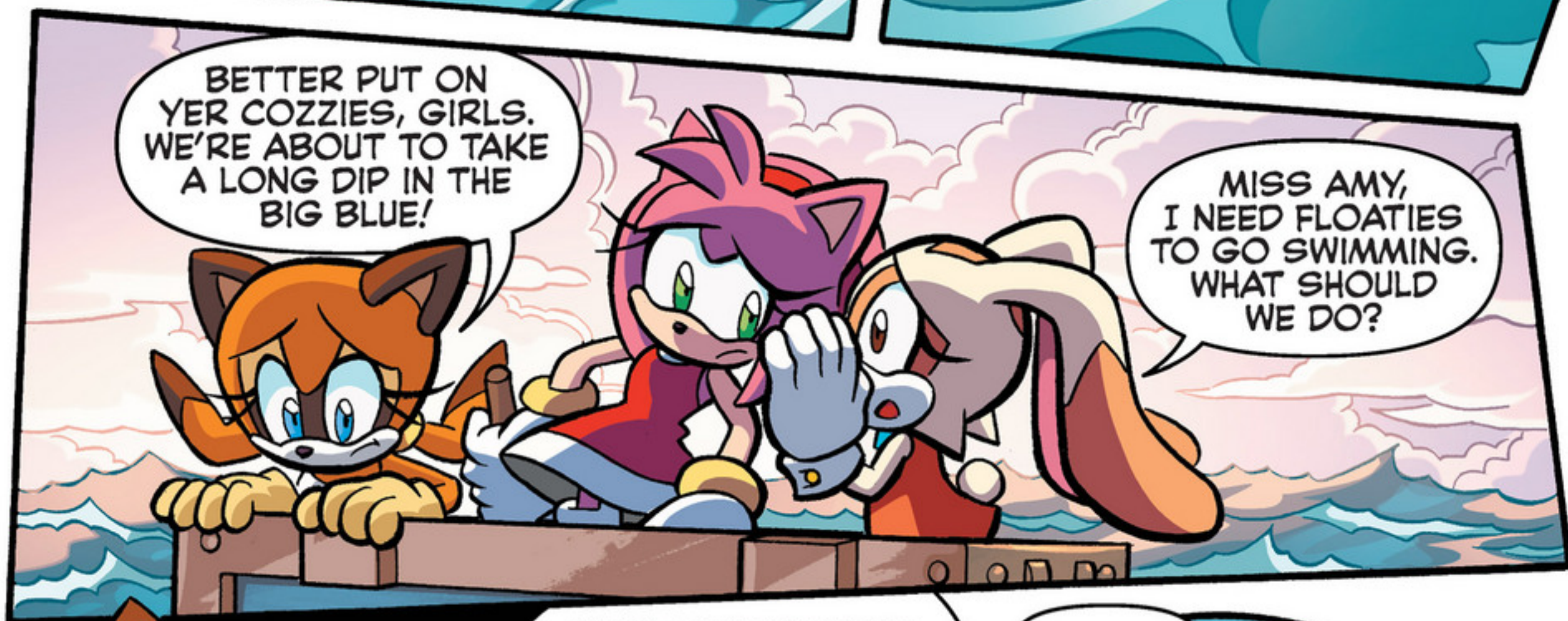
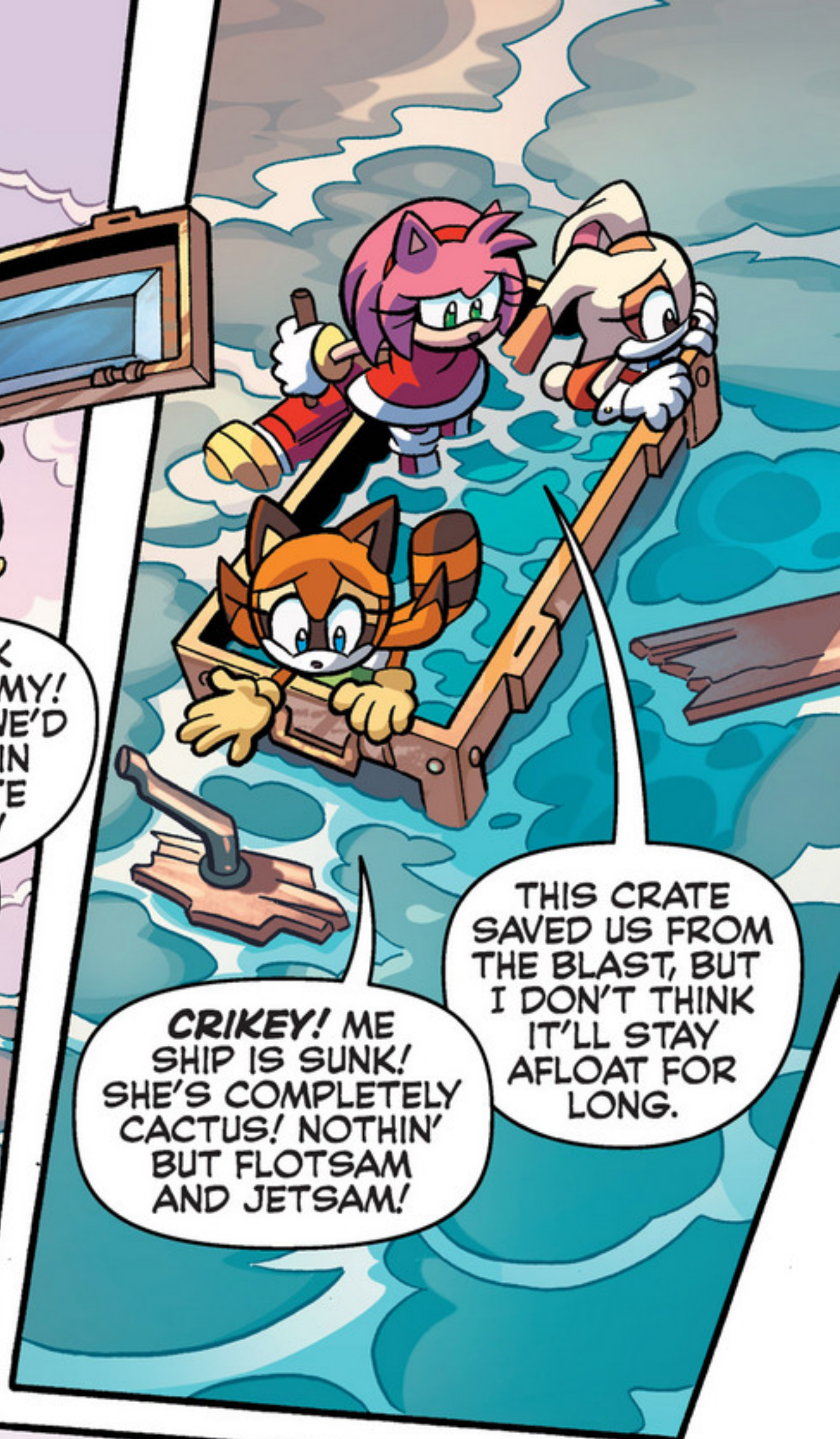
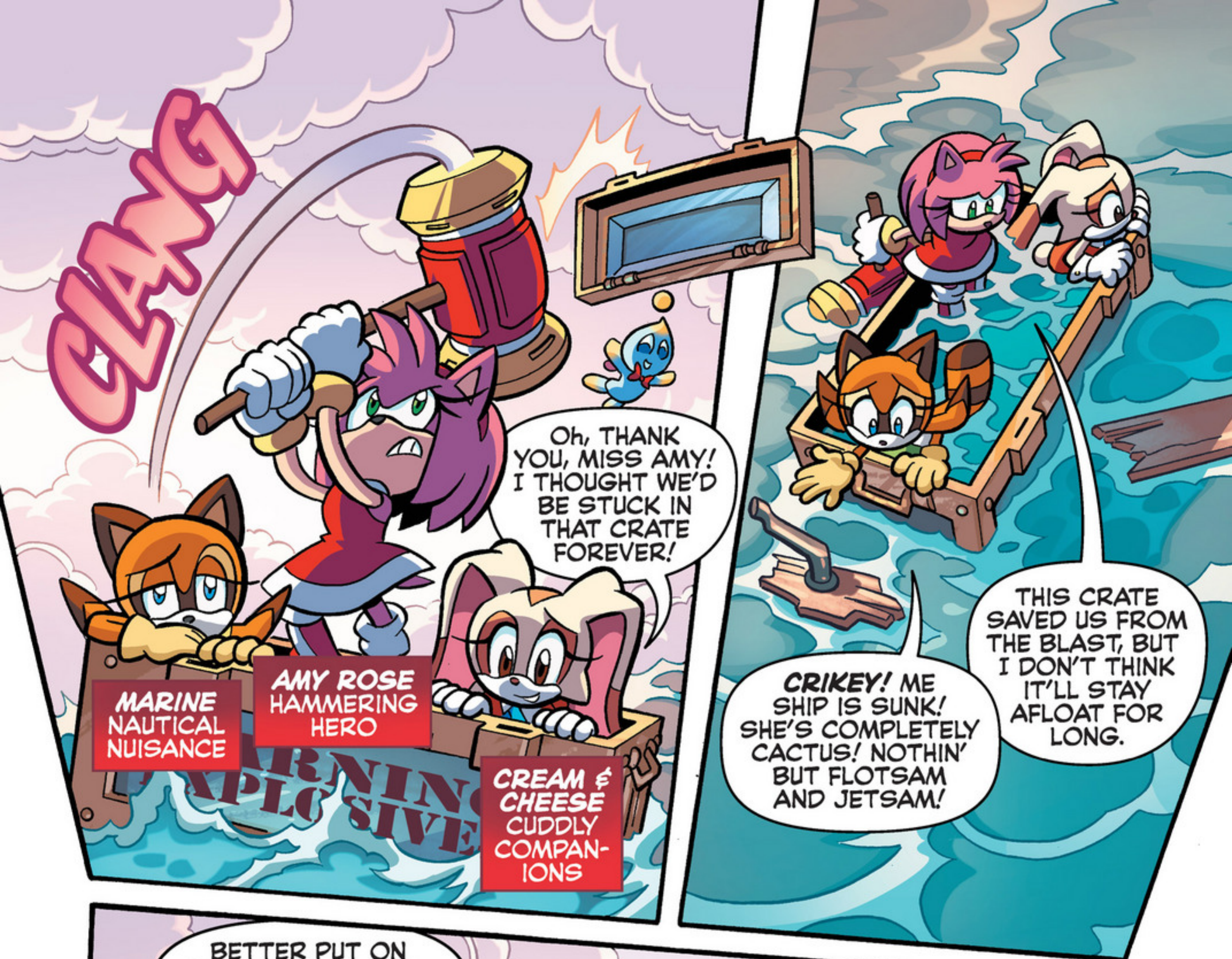
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...WILL BE AVENGED.



CLANG

**WARNING
EXPLOSIVES**



DIDN'T MEAN TO
CHUCK A WOBBLY. I'M
JUST DOWN ABOUT
ME SHIP.

WE NEED TO
STAY POSITIVE.
BLAZE SAID THAT
THE SOL EMERALDS
CALLED US HERE TO
HELP HER AND
THAT'S WHAT WE'RE
GONNA DO...

...SOMEHOW.

TOO RIGHT,
AMY! NEVER SAY
DIE! NO MATTER
WHAT COMES
OUR WAY, WE'LL
PERSEVERE AND
TRIUMPH!

Oh, LOOK!
SOME FISHIES
ARE COMING TO
SAY HELLO!

SHARKS!
WE'RE
DOOMED!

CREAM! YOU GOTTA FLY
US TO THE NEAREST ISLAND!
THESE WATERS ARE TEEMING
WITH BLOODTHIRSTY GREAT
WHITES, TIGER SHARKS
AND HAMMERHEADS!

WHATEVER
KIND OF
SHARKS
THESE
ARE...

...I'VE
GOT A
HAMMER-
HEAD FOR
THEM!

AND SO...

THESE DOLPHINS
DON'T LOOK VERY
BLOODTHIRSTY,
MARINE!

ONLY
FOOLIN'!

AN OLD SALT
LIKE ME KNOWS
A SHARK FROM A
DOLPHIN A MILE
AWAY! JUST
THOUGHT I'D
GIVE YA A BIT
OF A SCARE!

CHAO
CHAO.

CHAO,
CHAO
CHAO?

Chirp
Chirp

EEEEEEEEEE

CHAO
CHAO.

CHEESE SAYS THE NICE
DOLPHINS SAW THE PIRATES
TAKE MISS BLAZE TO THEIR
ISLAND AND THEY'LL GIVE
US A RIDE THERE.

RIPPER! I'M
AN ACE DOLPHIN
RIDER!

THANK
YOU SO MUCH!
YOU GUYS ARE
THE BEST!

RIGHT,
THEN! OFF
TO RESCUE

BLAAAAAZE!!

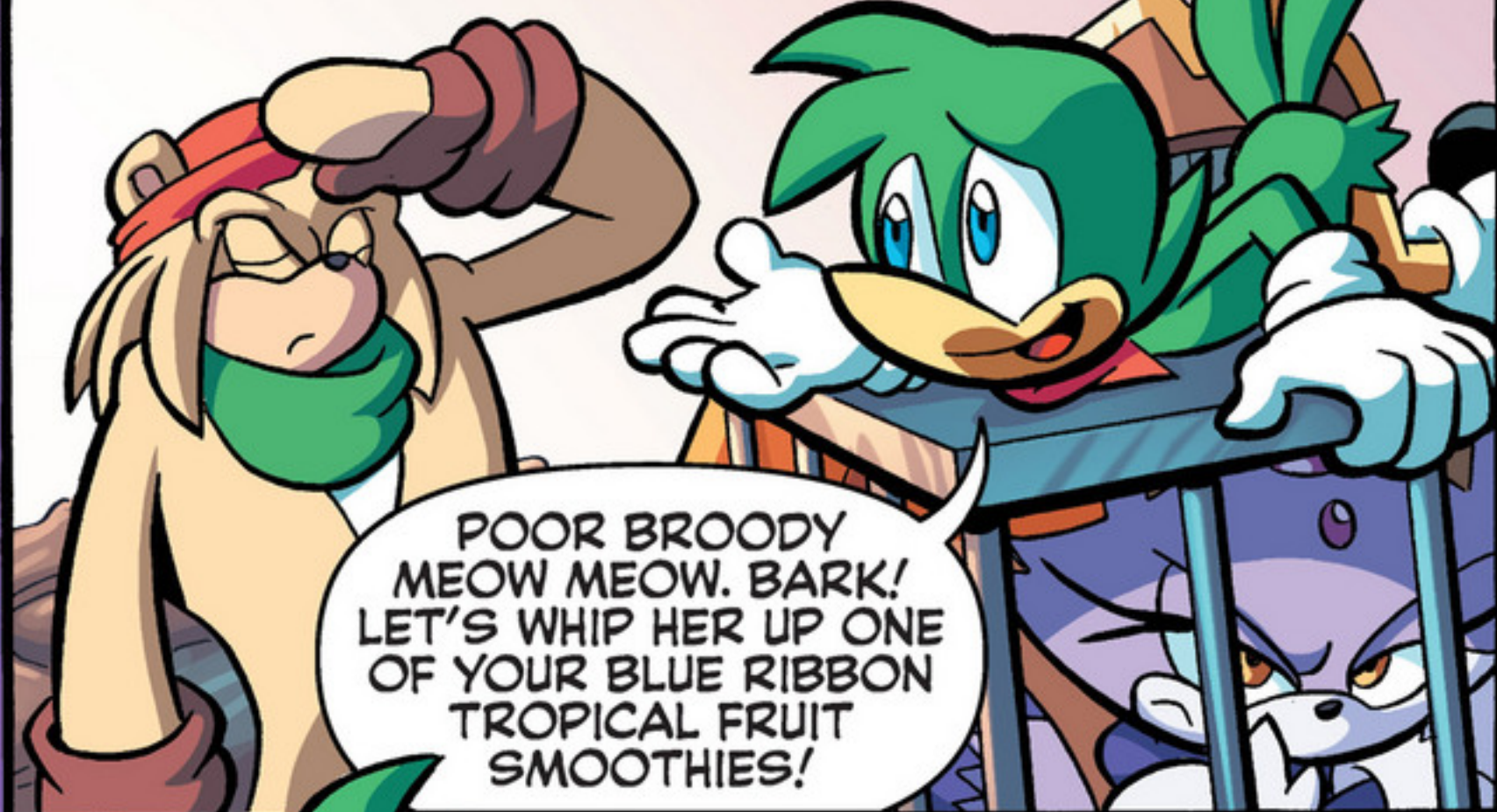
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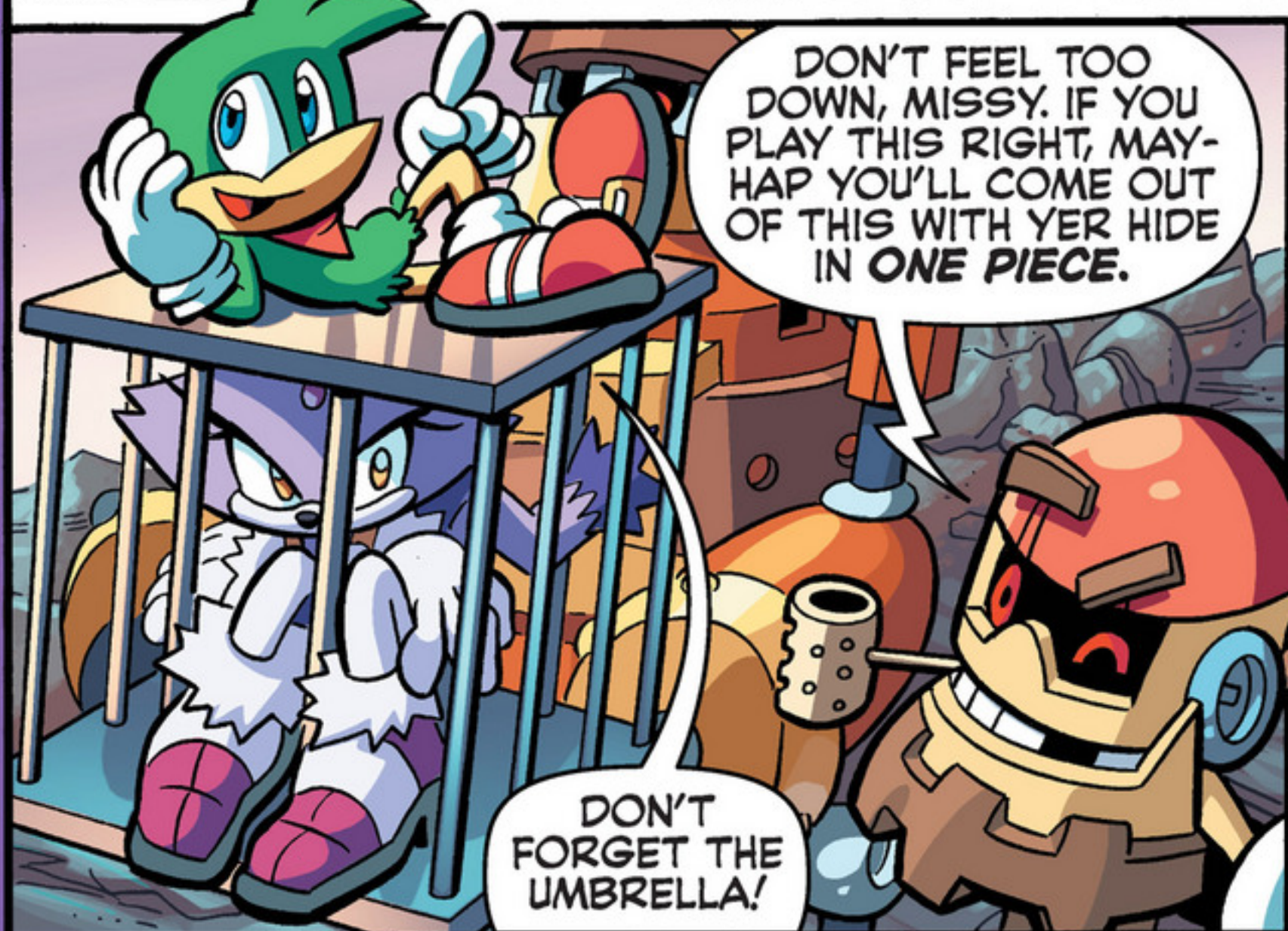
AYE. STAY ON THE CAP'N'S GOOD SIDE. HE'S GOT A MEAN STREAK, HE DOES. TOOK OFF THE HEADS OF OTHER PIRATES THAT TRIED AN' CUT IN ON HIS TERRITORY.

G'YARR! COME BACK FOR ANOTHER WHIPPIN', EH?

AND A SLICE OF LEMON, AND ONE OF THOSE TINY SWORDS WITH THREE CHERRIES ON IT!



POOR BROODY MEOW MEOW. BARK! LET'S WHIP HER UP ONE OF YOUR BLUE RIBBON TROPICAL FRUIT SMOOTHIES!



DON'T FEEL TOO DOWN, MISSY. IF YOU PLAY THIS RIGHT, MAY-HAP YOU'LL COME OUT OF THIS WITH YER HIDE IN ONE PIECE.

DON'T FORGET THE UMBRELLA!

SEEMS THE CAP'N MET YE BEFORE. SAYS HE'S GOT PLANS FER YE, SO I RECKON YER SAFE FER NOW.

Oh, I SEE! RUNNIN' AWAY, EH?

YA YELLOW BUGGERS!

I'LL BITE YER LEGS OFF!!

AND A BENDY STRAW! NOBODY LIKES THE STRAIGHT ONES!

YES, HE **PLANS** TO GET THE SOL EMERALDS FROM ME. AND I HAVE SEEN HIM BEFORE; AT LEAST I SAW SOMETHING THAT LOOKED LIKE HIM... **WHO IS THIS CAPTAIN METAL?**

ARRR, THAT BE A TALE!

"One day, ol' Doc Ratchetrun put out to sea, makin' his rounds. Lookin' fer robots in need of repair and such. The Doc never returned, but a battered and cobbled together robot came back with his boat. No one knew where he'd come from. He'd only say he'd come back with his boat. No one knew where he'd challenged ol' Boltbeard for leadership of the island. Fierce in battle he be! He tore ol' Boltbeard apart to upgrade himself, he did. T'was few who'd cross him then. We follow Cap'n Metal now, if we know what's good fer us!"

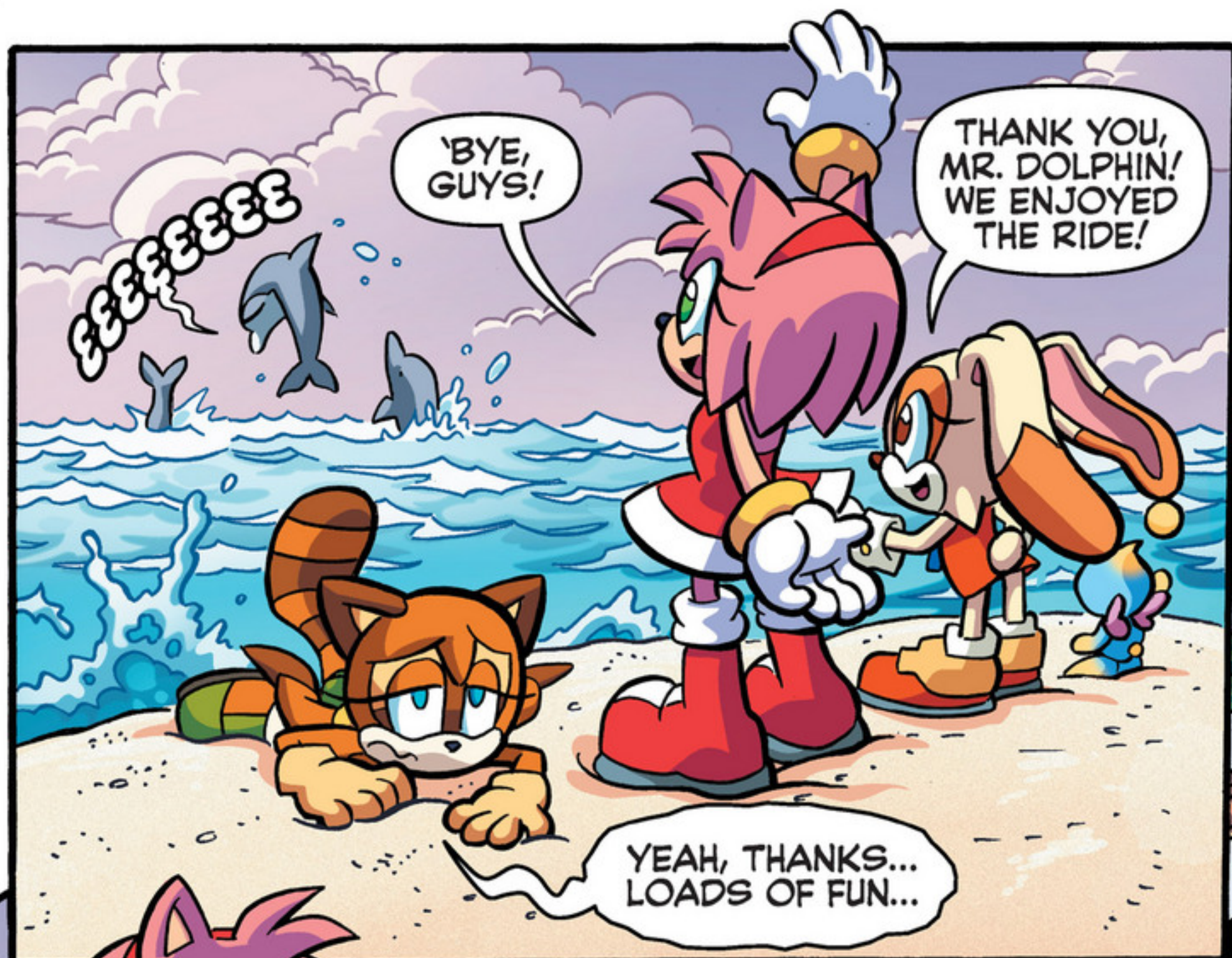
NOT SURE WHAT HE HAS PLANNED, BUT IT'S **BIG**. THAT MUCH I CAN SAY. A THINKER, HE IS. A FIGHTER, TOO! A REAL **PIRATE'S** PIRATE!

HE'S A **MONSTER**. THIS TIME I'LL SEE THAT HE'S TAKEN OUT OF THIS WORLD FOR GOOD.

Ah, LASSIE, WE'LL JUST **SEE** ABOUT THAT, WE WILL.

HERE YOU GO, YOU CUTIE-WOOTIE-MOOTIE-TOOTIE! STRAIGHT FROM BARISTA BARK AND BLUE BILLY BLENDERBEARD WITH LOVING CARE! **CHEERS!**

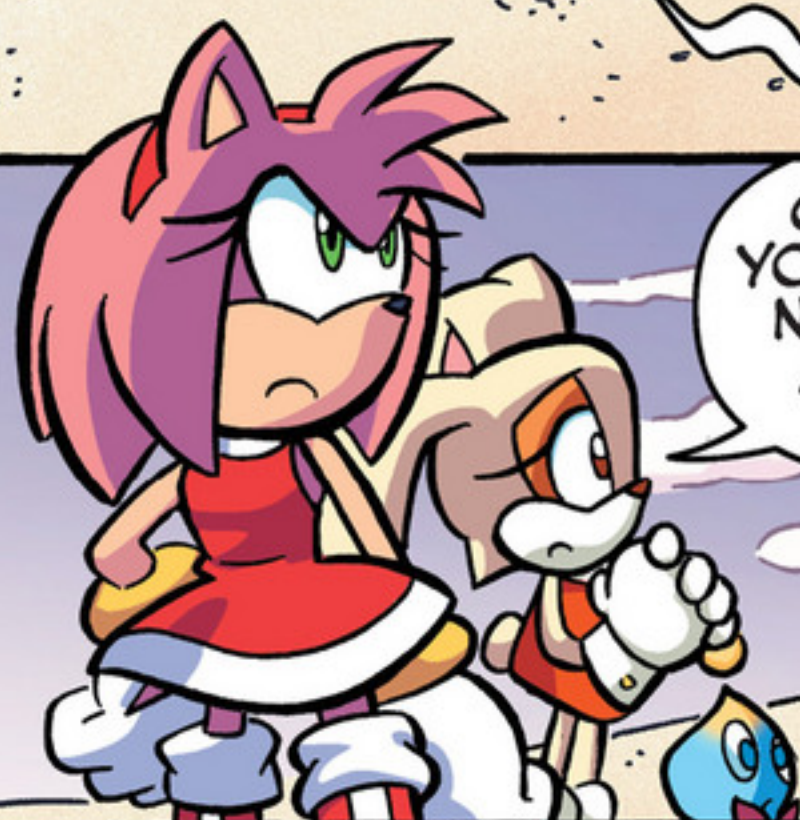
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'BYE,
GUYS!

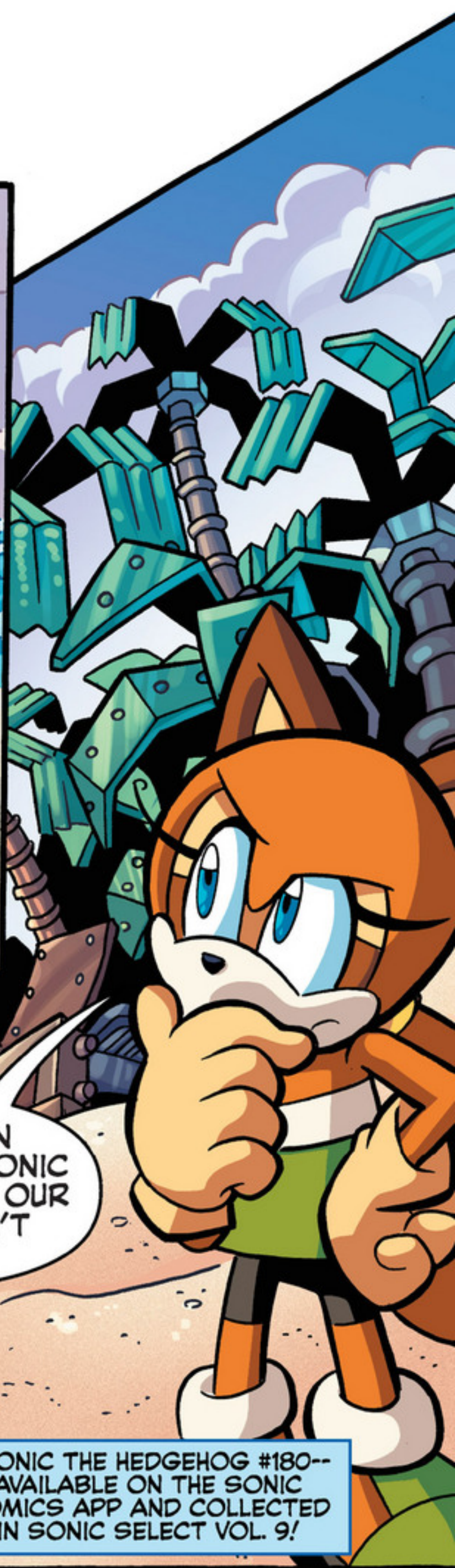
THANK YOU,
MR. DOLPHIN!
WE ENJOYED
THE RIDE!

YEAH, THANKS...
LOADS OF FUN...



CREEPY PLACE.
YOU SURE THERE'S
NO DR. EGGMAN
AROUND HERE,
MARINE?

ROTTEN BLOKE. RAN
INTO HIM ONCE WHEN SONIC
AND TAILS ENDED UP IN OUR
WORLD,* BUT I HAVEN'T
SEEN HIM SINCE.



LUCKY YOU.
WE'D BETTER
GET A MOVE
ON.

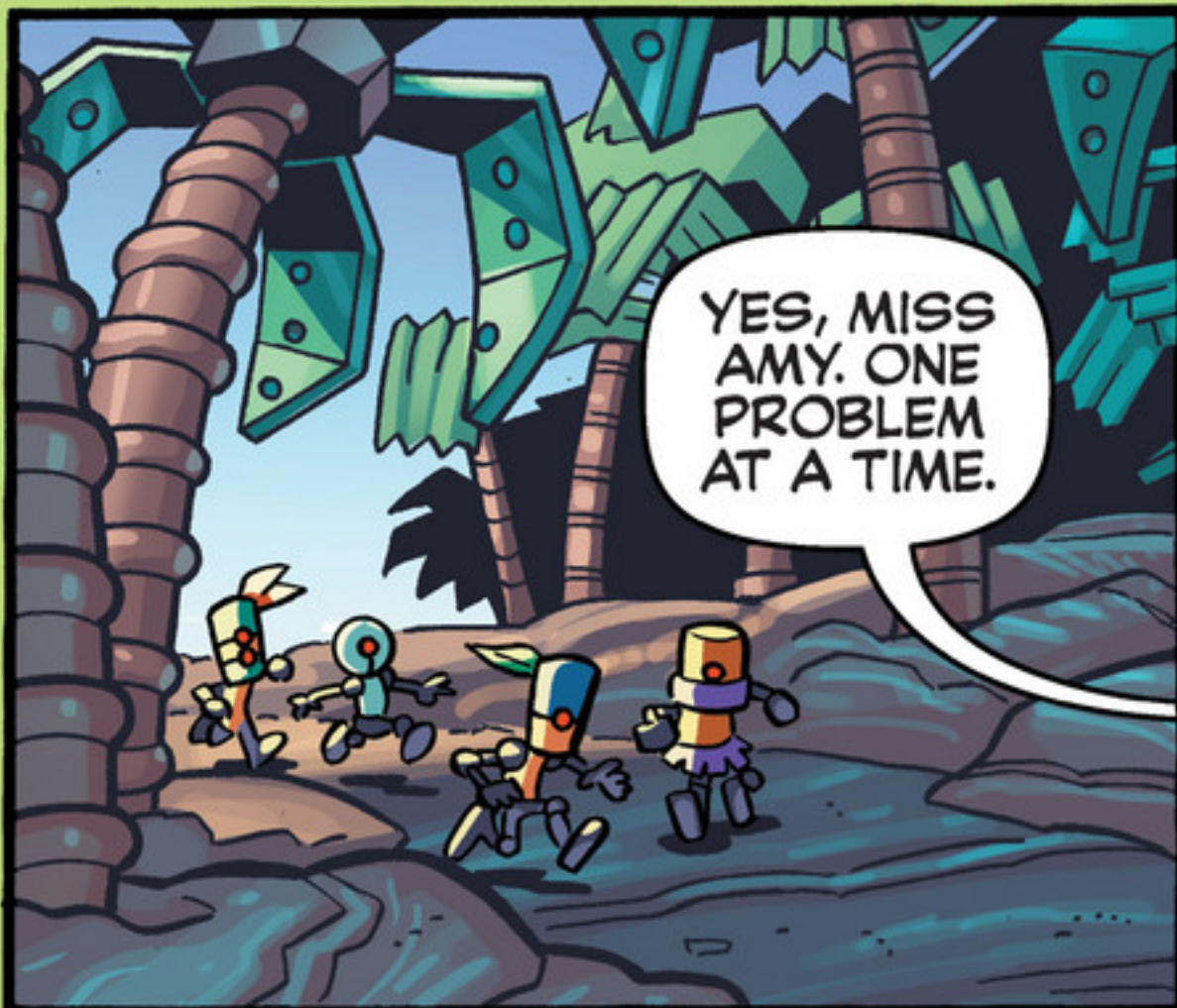
Oh,
MY!

CAREFUL NOW! THIS
HERE ISLAND IS CRAWLING
WITH ROBOT PIRATES!

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HOW CAN WE
HIDE FROM THE
PIRATES **AND**
FIND MISS
BLAZE?

I'M NOT SURE YET,
CREAM. JUST KEEP
POSITIVE AND HANDLE
ONE PROBLEM AT
A TIME, GOT IT?



YES, MISS
AMY. ONE
PROBLEM
AT A TIME.



Oi!
WATCH YER
PINCHERS,
YA LITTLE
BITIES!

I'VE BEEN
BUSHWACKED!
AMY! CREAM!
HELP!

HELP

ONE
PROBLEM AT
A TIME.

≡SIGH≡
I GUESS WE
SHOULD SAVE
HER...

YOU LITTLE CREEPS
HAVE QUESTIONABLE
TASTE IN CAPTIVES...

...BUT I
CAN'T LET
YOU TAKE
HER!

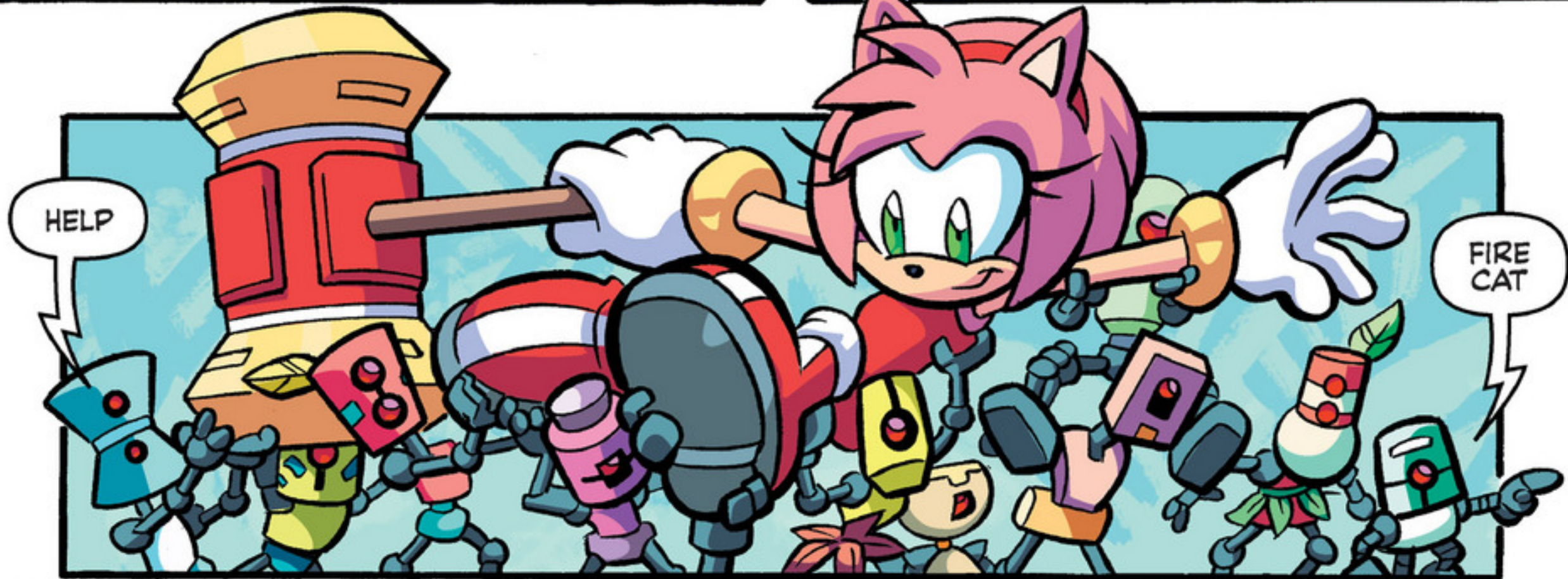
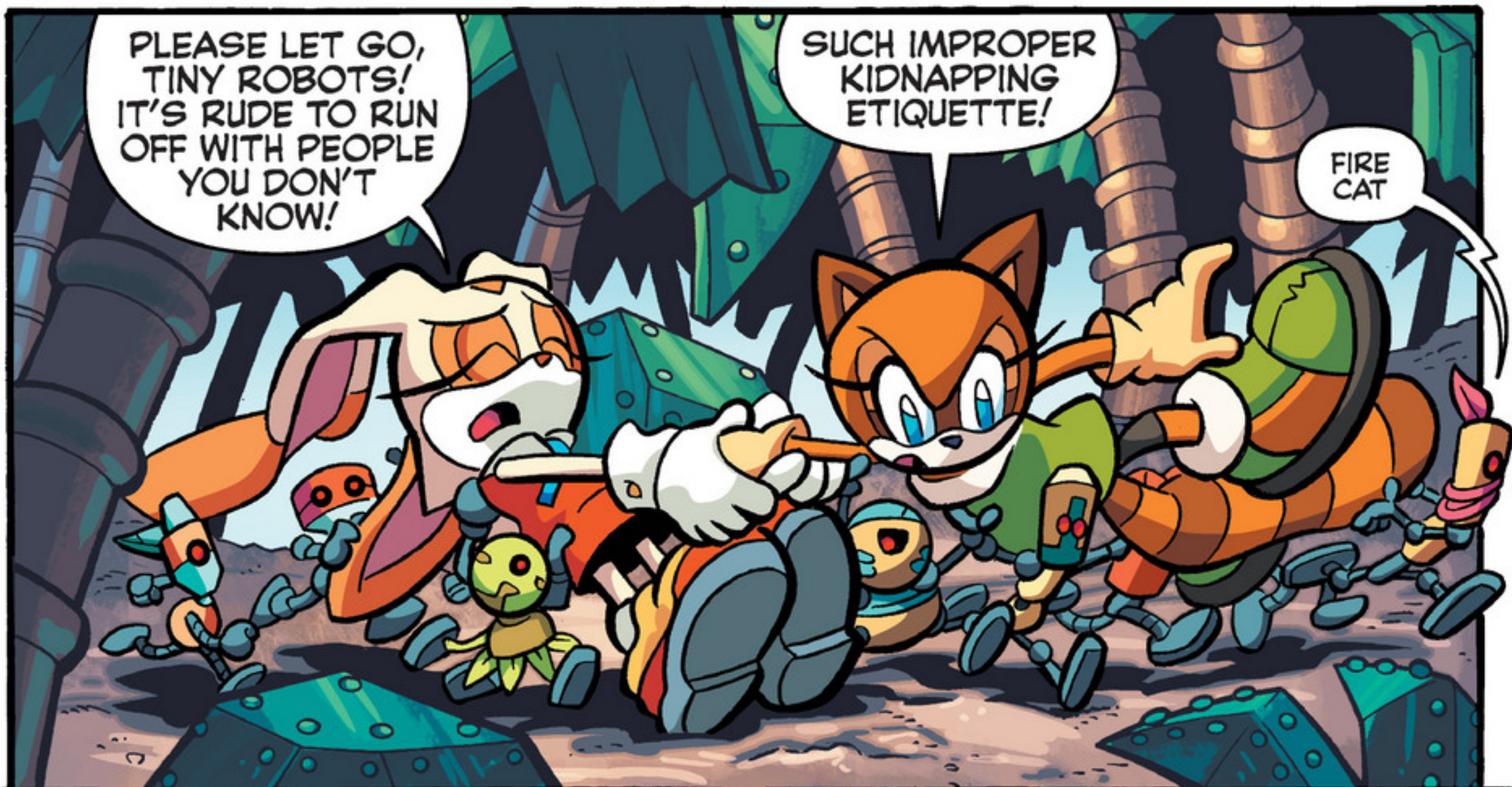
QUESTION-
ABLE?!
EXCELLENT,
I'D SAY!!

HELP

FIRE
CAT

HELP





MEANWHILE...

HERE WE BE, PRINCESS. I CAN FINALLY TELL YE OF ME GRAND PLANS FER ME GREAT NEW **WEAPON!**

WHAT IS IT?
A DOUBLE-BARRELED
BLUNDER-
BUSS?

NARRR!
IT BE AN ENGINE
OF DESTRUCTION
THE LIKE OF WHICH
THIS WORLD HAS
NE'ER SEEN
AFORE!

GLORIOUS, IT BE! A MARVEL
OF MALEVOLENCE! AND
I'LL GIVE IT POWER
WITH **THIS!**

SHIIIIINNNYYYY!

YE HAVE SIX
MORE OF THESE
BEAUTIES, DON'T
YE ME DEAR?

IMAGINE WHAT
I COULD DO WITH
'EM. WILL YE PART
WITH 'EM FREELY?
MAYHAP EVEN **HELP**
ME IN ME GRAND
SCHEME?

I'LL **HELP** YOU TO YOUR GRAVE,
SCUM. ONE EMERALD OR ALL, I AM
THEIR MASTER AND ONLY I CAN
CONTROL THEM. THEY'RE USE-
LESS TO YOU IN ANY CASE!

THAT,
ME DEAR,
IS WHERE
YER
WRONG.



LOOKS LIKE THAT'S THEIR CHIEF. WHAT DEVILRY ARE THEY PLANNIN', DO YA THINK?

WHAT I THINK IS, WE'LL FIND BLAZE INSIDE THAT BIG METAL DRUM!



SO THAT'S WHAT ALL THE "HELP FIRE CAT" EARBASHING WAS ABOUT?

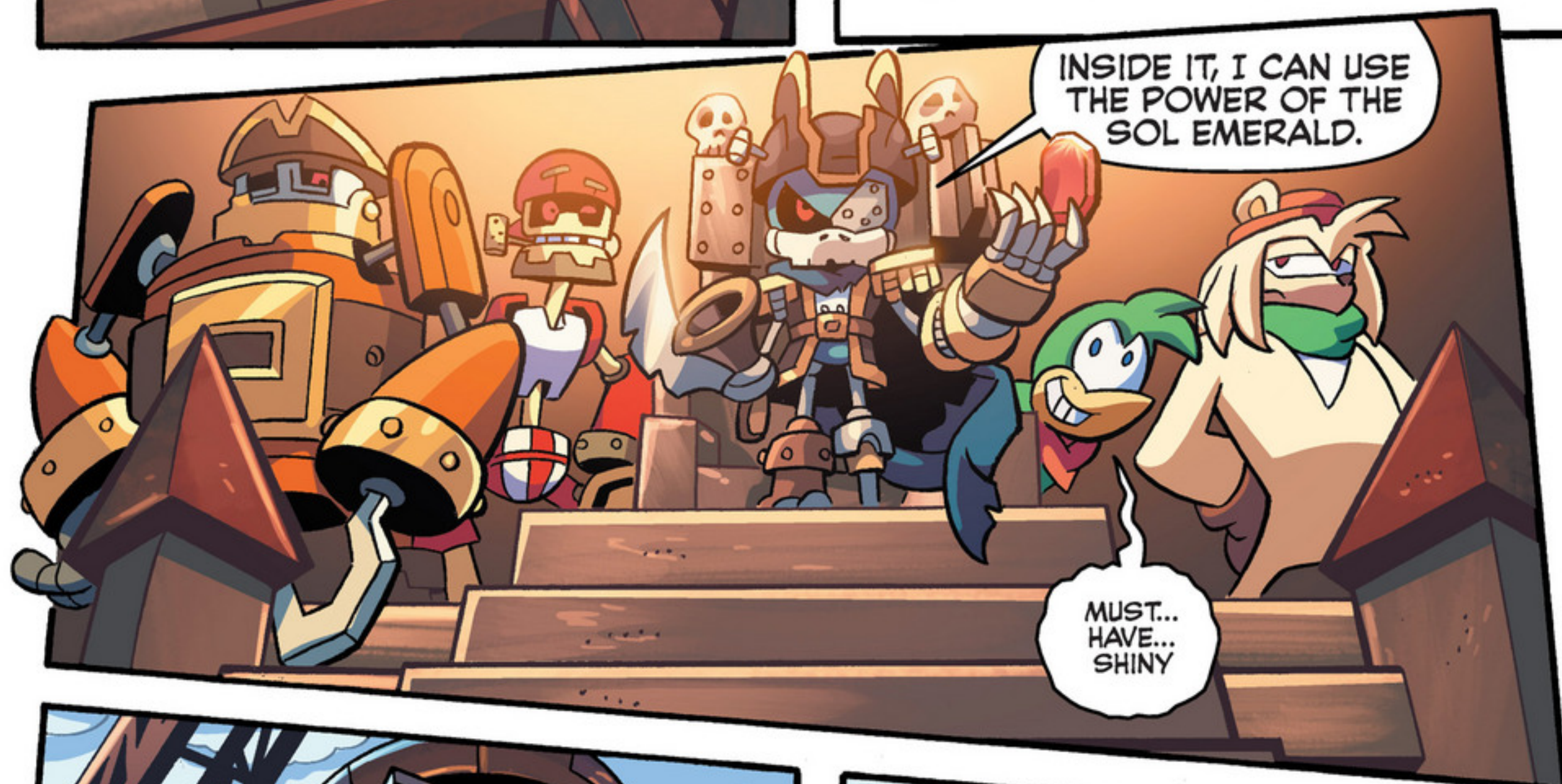
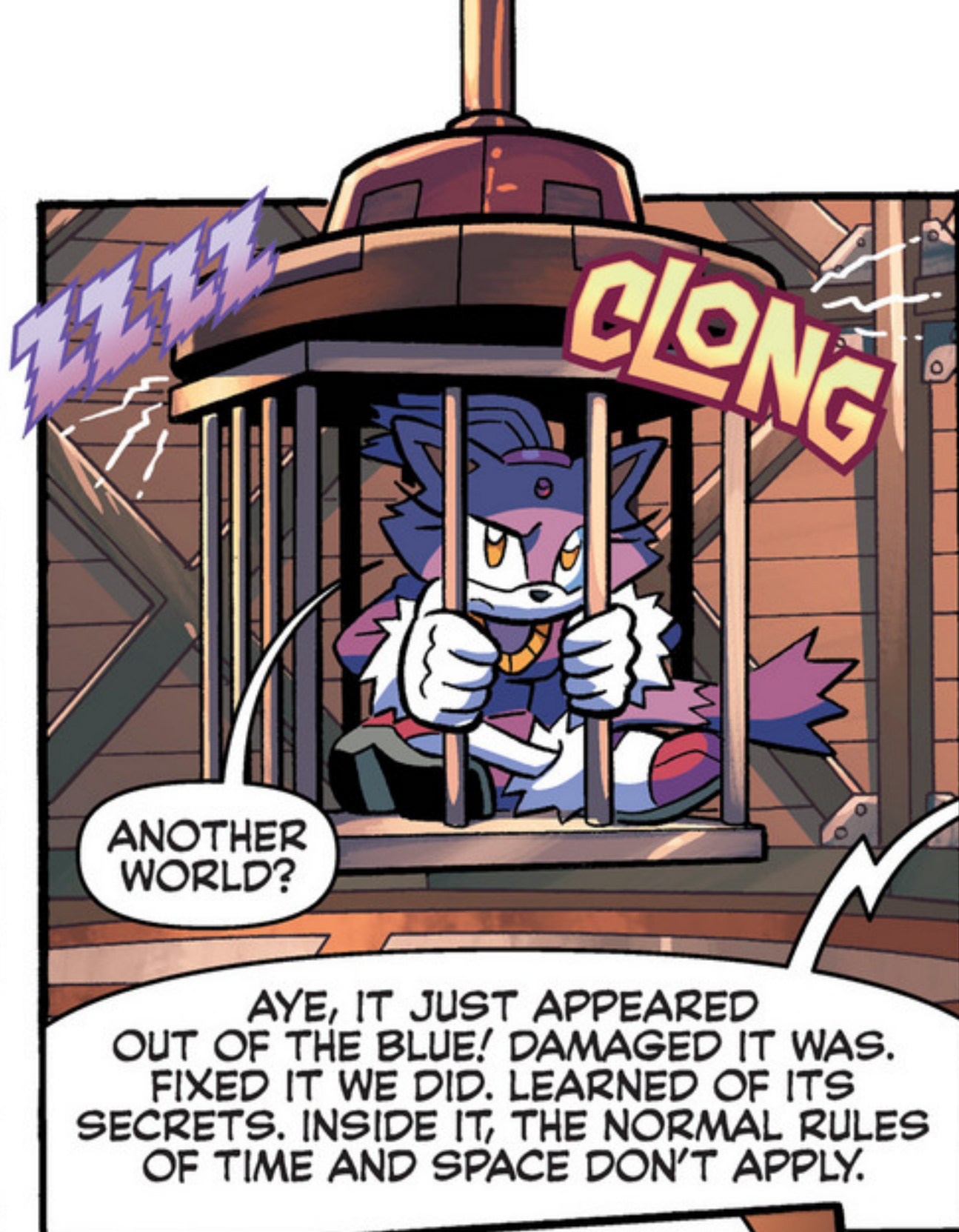
YES. FIRE CAT INSIDE. WE **SPROCKETS**. BAD PIRATES HUNT US. SMASH US.

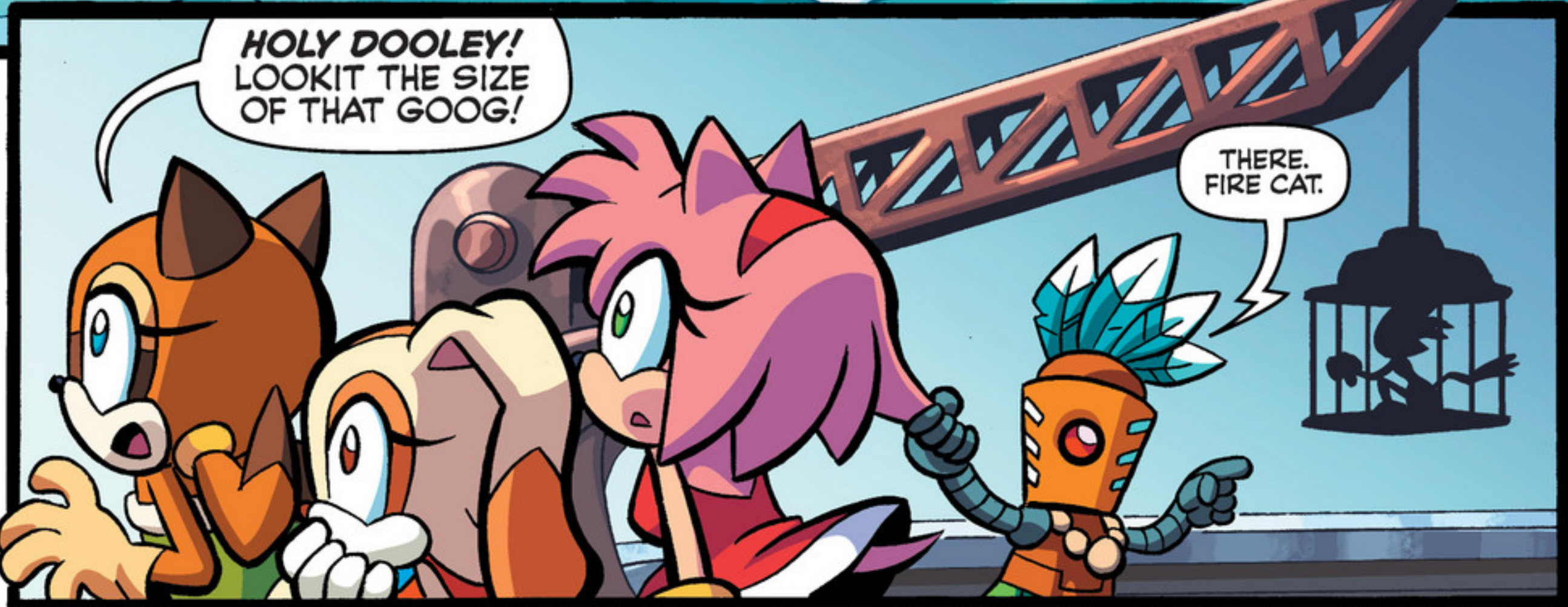
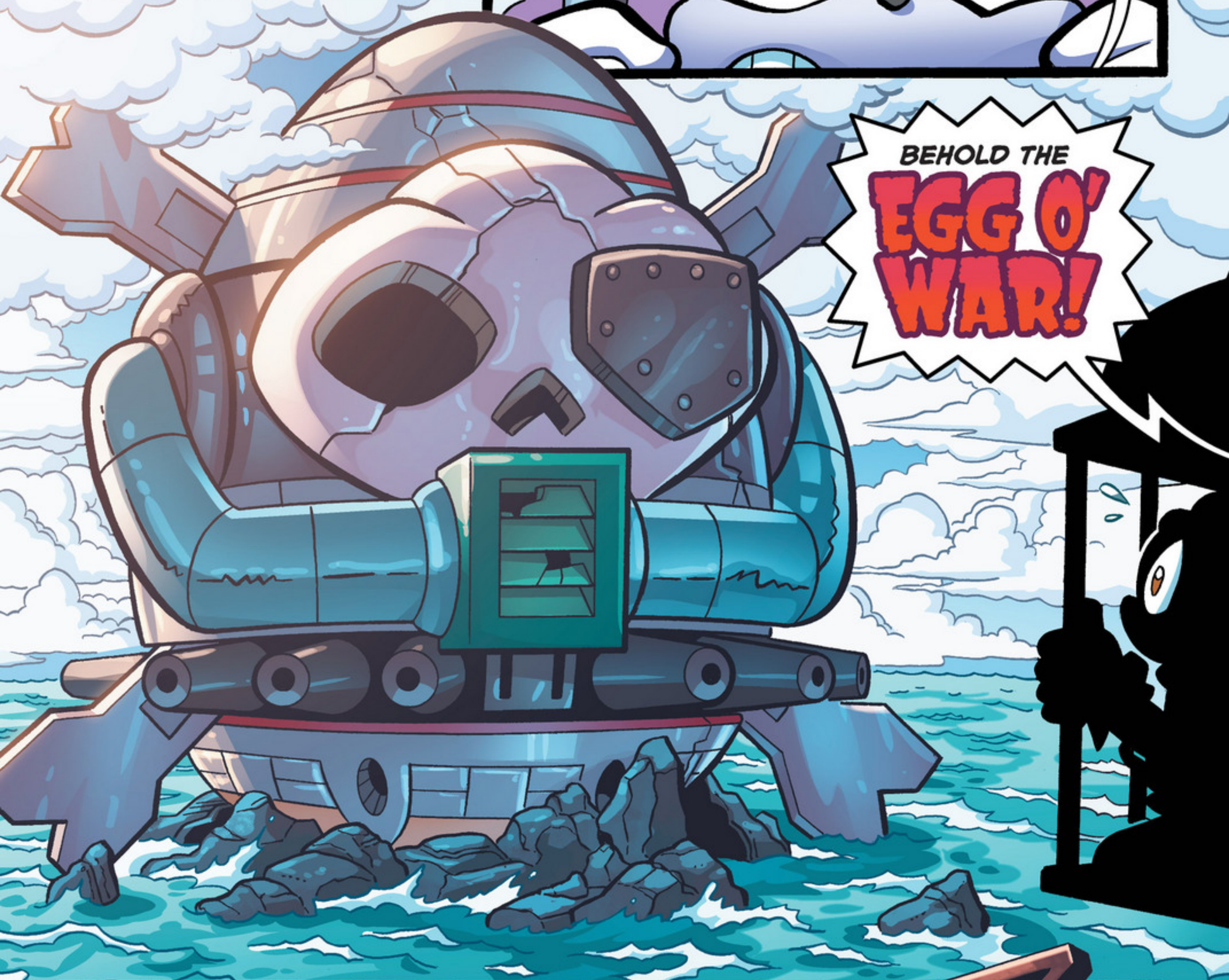
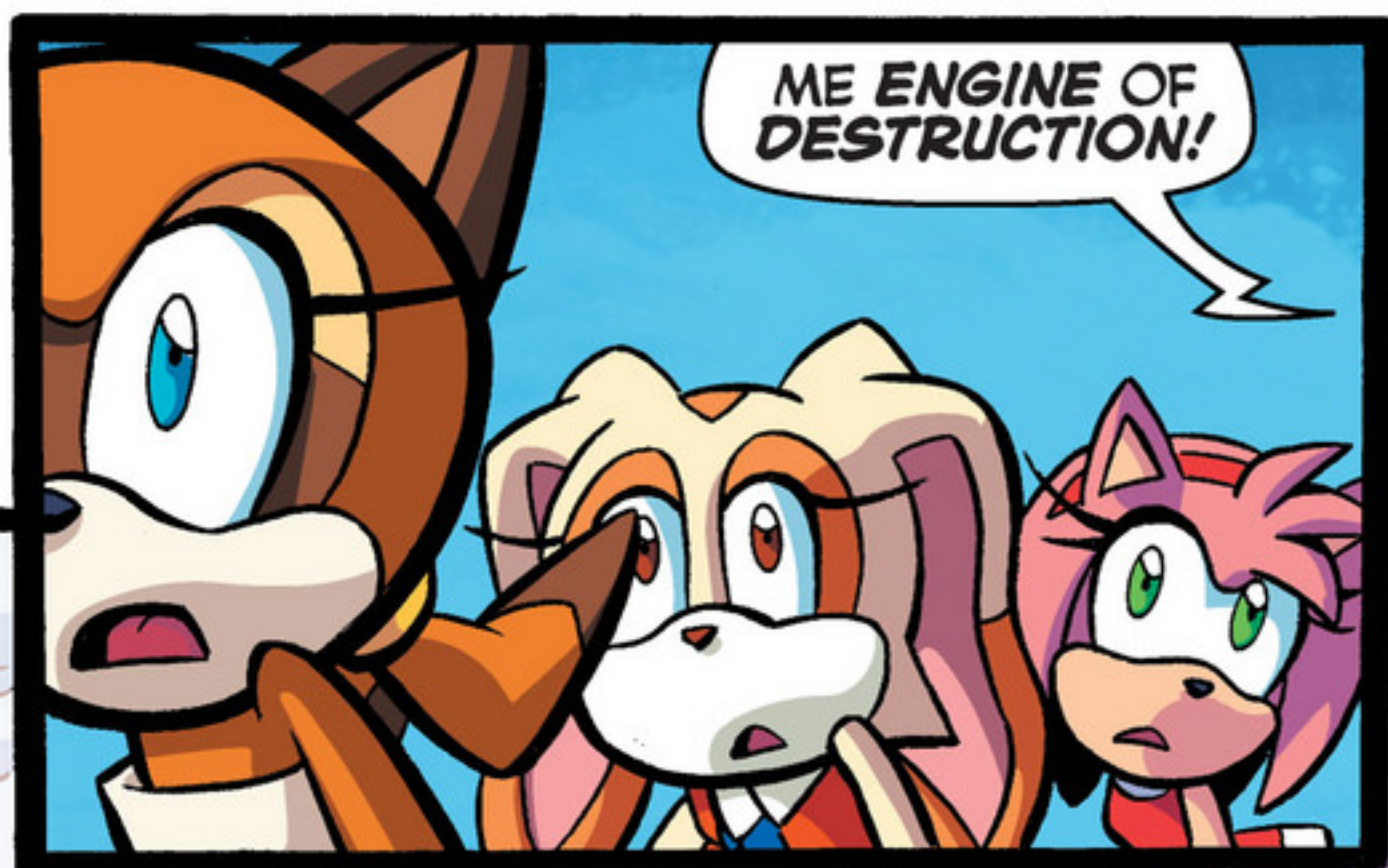
YOU SAVE FIRE CAT. STOP BAD PIRATES. WE HELP.

I'M STARTING TO THINK WE REALLY **ARE** MEANT TO HELP GET THAT SOL EMERALD BACK.

RIGHT THEN. UP WE GO!

Ugh! DID THEY HAVE TO BUILD THIS THING SO HIGH?

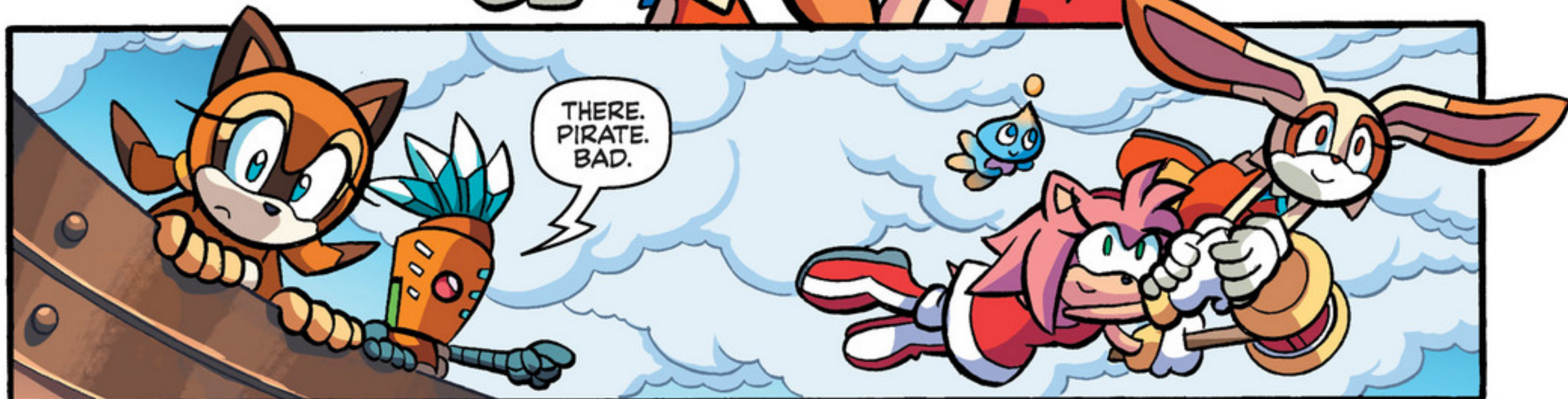






LOOK, MISS AMY! THERE'S MISS BLAZE!

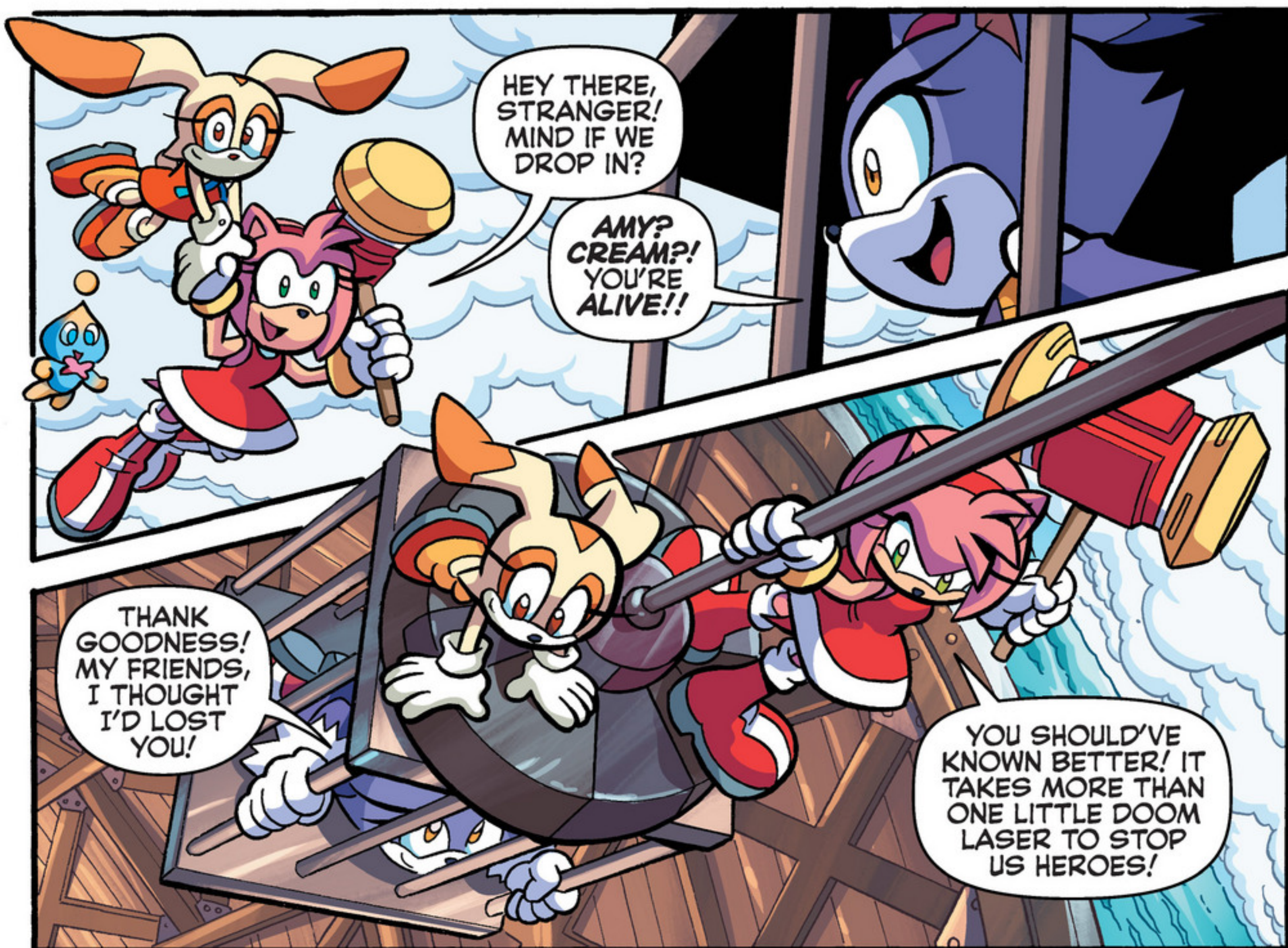
RIGHT! CREAM, GIVE ME A LIFT OVER THERE! MARINE, WAIT HERE!



THERE. PIRATE. BAD.



SINK MY SHIP, WILL YA??!



HEY THERE, STRANGER! MIND IF WE DROP IN?

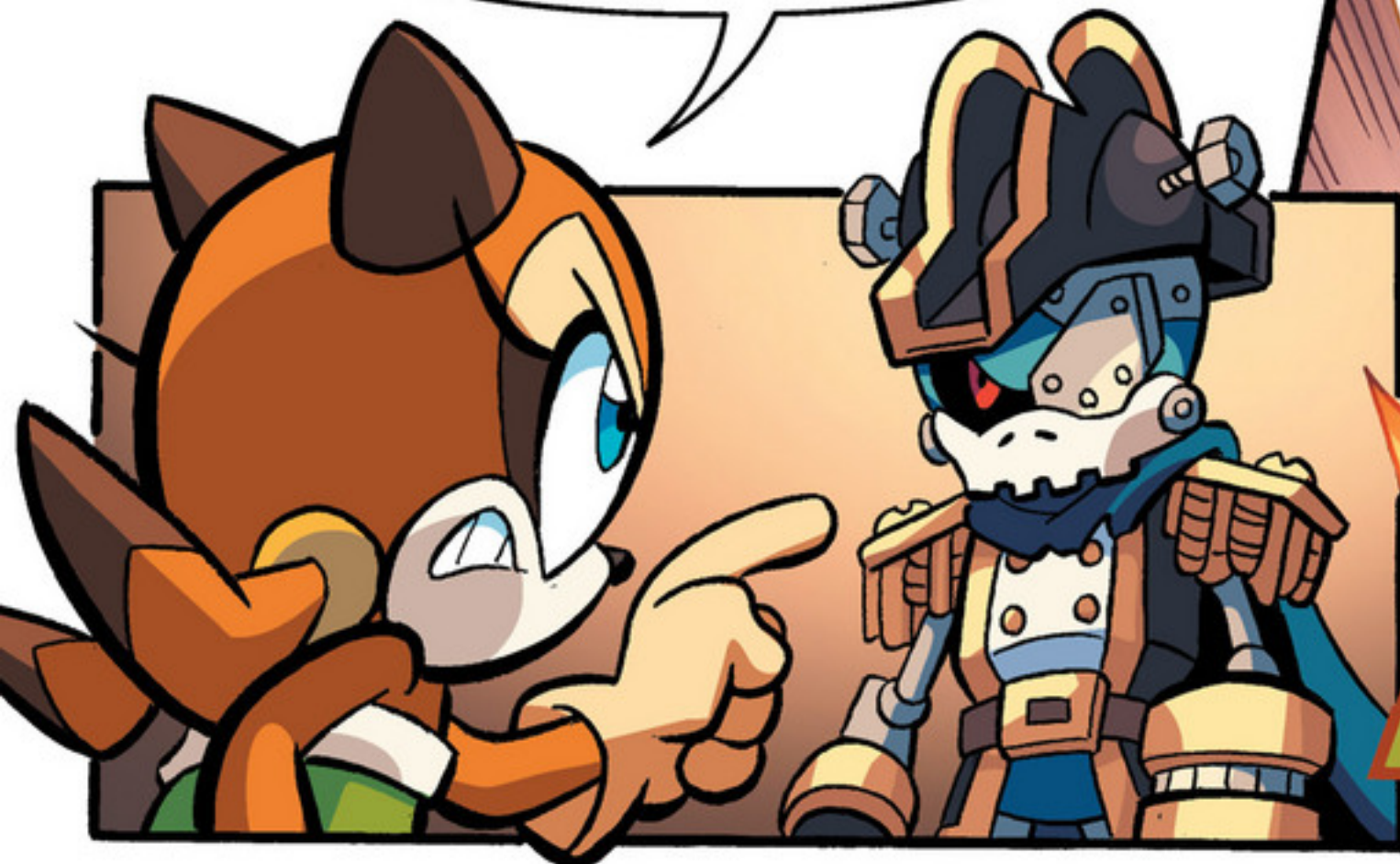
AMY? CREAM?! YOU'RE ALIVE!!

THANK GOODNESS! MY FRIENDS, I THOUGHT I'D LOST YOU!

YOU SHOULD'VE KNOWN BETTER! IT TAKES MORE THAN ONE LITTLE DOOM LASER TO STOP US HEROES!



FROM ONE CAPTAIN
TO ANOTHER, I GOTTA DEMAND
SATISFACTION FOR THE SINKIN'
OF ME SHIP AND KIDNAPPIN' OF ME
FRIEND! GET READY, NOW! YOU'RE
ABOUT TO FEEL THE WRATH OF THE
GREAT CAPTAIN MARINE! YESSIR,
I'M ABOUT TO TAKE YOU
APART PIECE BY--



YOU SHOULD
BE MORE
CAREFUL, MISS
MARINE!

I HAD
'IM RIGHT
WHERE I
WANTED
'IM!

BUCKLE!
RAISE THE
PLATFORM,
AND OPEN THE
TANK DOORS!
LET BLAZE'S
LITTLE FRIENDS
SHARE HERRR
END.

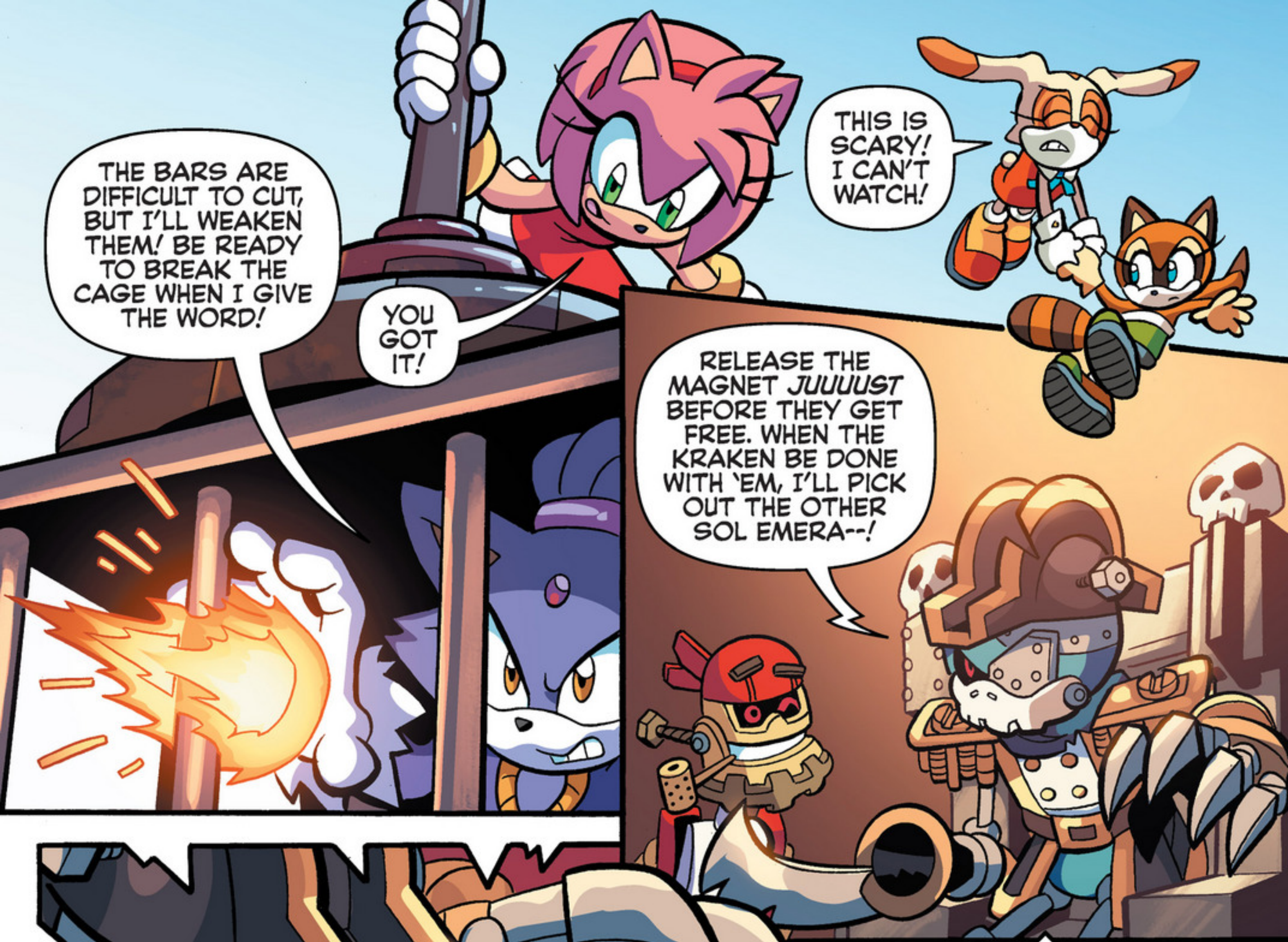
AYE, AYE
CAP'N!

IT COULDA'
BEEN QUICK AND
EASY FOR YE,
BLAZE.

BUT NOW
THE KRAKEN
WILL GRIND
YER BONES!

NOT
GOOD!

WE MUST
HURRY!



THE BARS ARE DIFFICULT TO CUT, BUT I'LL WEAKEN THEM! BE READY TO BREAK THE CAGE WHEN I GIVE THE WORD!

YOU GOT IT!

THIS IS SCARY! I CAN'T WATCH!

RELEASE THE MAGNET JUUUUST BEFORE THEY GET FREE. WHEN THE KRAKEN BE DONE WITH 'EM, I'LL PICK OUT THE OTHER SOL EMERA--!



ME SOL EMERALD! **WHERE BE ME SOL EMERALD!!**



SORRY, BUT I'M AFRAID WE HAVE TO GIVE NOTICE. WE'LL JUST TAKE THIS **SHINY** IN LIEU OF SEVERANCE PAY. I'M SURE WE CAN EXPECT A **SHINING** LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION!



Oh, my!

BETTER HURRY UP, MATES! THINGS ARE CROOK IN TALLAROOK!

IT'S NOW OR NEVER, BLAZE!

MR. SWASH, DROP THOSE FOOLS TO THE KRAKEN! THE REST OF YOU
GET ME BACK MY EMERALD!!

AYE AYE, CAP'N!

HO-HO!

IT LOOKS LIKE BLAZE AND HER CREW TRULY BE LEFT HANGIN'! WILL CAP'N METAL POWER UP HIS EGG O' WAR? WILL BEAN AND BARK SWING FROM THE YARD ARM FOR MUTINY? COME BACK WHEN THE WINDS BLOW FAIR FOR **SONIC UNIVERSE #57!**

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G'YARR!

BREE HEE HEE!!
SHINY SHINY SHINY!!

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Dear 'My Sonic Universe,'

A little birdie told me that you guys are doing a saga on Blaze and Marine and friends, is this true?

Was it a Flicky bird?! Those critters are so cute... *AHEM*...we're in the middle of Blaze and Marine's story right now! "Pirate Plunder Panic" features Sonic's best gal pals on a sea-wide adventure to collect the last Sol Emerald, but you probably already knew that after reading this issue! And for even more Blaze and Marine action, be on the look out for Sonic Universe vol. 6 "Treasure Team Tango" graphic novel coming later this holiday season! plugplugplugplugplug

Also, my sister thinks that Tails and Marine should be together and I agree!

Jake K. sent to
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Thanks for the letter, Jake! Tails and Marine are in completely different dimensions, so that would be a REALLY long distance relationship!

Dear 'My Sonic Universe,'

It's me again with some thoughts on "Pirate Plunder Panic". It's amazing that Amy Rose is showing up again. During the arc I think Amy should show off her acrobatic skills, could she do that?

Amy Rose is going to be pulling out all the stops this arc, keep your eyes peeled! Also, keep your head low when she takes out her Piko Piko Hammer!

Cap'n Metal is looking to be quite the villainous robot, he's also looking kinda familiar...

Does he? :)

I just saw the cover of Sonic Universe #57 and was shocked to see everyone underwater

trying to get the Sol Emerald, Amy was wearing her dress and boots *laughs*. Who wears a dress, gloves and boots underwater?

Amy Rose is a go-getter! A little water won't scare her!

Just what is the Egg 'O War?

Why, it's Captain Metal's biggest, most deadly weapon in all his pirate-ey arsenal! It also looks awfully familiar...

Well that's all I have for now, I'll BE SEEING YE NEXT TIME FOR THE NEXT PART OF PIRATE PLUNDER PANIC!

James M. sent to
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Thanks for the letter, James, and for your hand at some arrrr'right pirate speak! There's more perilous pirate adventures to come!

See you next month for part two of PIRATE PLUNDER PANIC!

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